

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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U.S. Perfection

Appln. No.: of 60/221,502

Group Art Unit: 0000

Filed: July 27, 2001

Examiner: Unknown

For: A NEW ESSENTIAL DOWNSTREAM COMPONENT OF THE
WINGLESS SIGNALING PATHWAY AND THERAPEUTIC
AND DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS BASED THEREON

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please
amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before line 1, insert

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) to
35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) of the filing date of Provisional
Application No. 60/221,502, filed July 28, 2000, pursuant to
35 U.S.C. § 111(b). The contents of this provisional application
is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. --

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the Abstract attached hereto.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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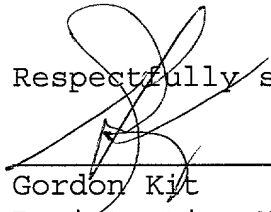
REMARKS

The specification has been amended to insert formal matter and add an Abstract in order to make the application consistent with U.S. patent practice. Hence, the addition of formal matter, along with the addition of an Abstract, do not constitute new matter.

In view of the amendments to the specification and the addition of an Abstract allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at his Washington telephone number on any questions which might arise.

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